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SUBJ: USG ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING FOR FONG
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1. A DEPT OFFICER TELEPHONED DR. SAMUEL PHANG ON FEB. 19.
HE STATED HIS PLANS ARE INDEFINITE, HE FEARS HIS BROTHER-
IN-LAW IS NOT AMBULATORY AND THEREFORE NOT REPEAT NOT ABLE
TO BE TRANSPORTED, AND HE STATED HE WAS "WRITING" TO HIS
SISTER TO REQUEST MORE MEDICAL INFORMATION FROM MR. FONG'S
DOCTORS.

2. DEPTOFF ASKED HIM TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US AS TO HIS
PLANS, GAVE HIM ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PRCLO,
URGED HIM TO APPLY FOR PRC VISA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND
ASKED HIM TO LET US KNOW IF IT APPEARED HE WOULD HAVE ANY
DIFFICULTY OBTAINING VISA, IN WHICH CASE WE WOULD BE PRE-
PARED TO TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH PRCLO. DR. PHANG SAID HE
HOPED PRCLO WOULD BE FLEXIBLE ABOUT THE VISA SINCE HIS
PLANS ARE INDEFINITE.

3. IN VIEW OF THE INDEFINITENESS OF HIS PLANS, WE ARE
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HOLDING OFF CONTACTING PRCLO.

4. IT WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE HELPFUL TO DR. PHANG IN MAKING HIS PLANS AND APPLYING FOR A VISA IF HE COULD RECEIVE A DETAILED MEDICAL REPORT ON MR. FONG FROM MRS. LEE-FONG ASAP.

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